

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 172

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A RESOLUTION to congratulate Ray Moffett upon his induction into the Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association Hall of Fame.

WHEREAS, the Tennessee General Assembly is pleased to specially honor and commend those citizens who, through unwavering dedication and unflagging commitment to excellence, have distinguished themselves as community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such noteworthy person is Ray Moffett, who has devoted forty-one years to the education and instruction of young athletes; on March 19, 2005, Mr. Moffett will be inducted into the Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association (TSSAA) Hall of Fame, a most befitting recognition of his outstanding service to Tennessee athletics; and

WHEREAS, this remarkable man has served an impressive forty-three years of overall service with the TSSAA; and

WHEREAS, Ray Moffett was a TSSAA Official for forty-one years and officiated basketball for thirty-one of those years. He has been to many tournaments, including District, Region, and Sub-State tournaments and, most notably, the 1980 TSSAA State Tournament; and

WHEREAS, he also served as a baseball TSSAA Official for a commendable ten years, and for three years Mr. Ray Moffett officiated on the collegiate level; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Ray Moffett enjoys much success as a Supervisor/Assigning Officer with the South Central Basketball Officials Association in which position he makes in excess of 2,800 official assignments a year; and

WHEREAS, with these many responsibilities, Ray Moffett has still found time to volunteer with youth programs as a coach and umpire in Little League and Babe Ruth Baseball; and

WHEREAS, with talent and leadership skills obtained through officiating, Mr. Ray Moffett is currently in his second term as an elected County Commissioner; and

WHEREAS, the significance of Mr. Moffett's impact cannot be adequately measured by his number of years as a TSSAA Official; his positive impact on the lives of students, athletes, fellow officials, and administrators still resounds in the community today; and

WHEREAS, throughout his illustrious career, Mr. Ray Moffett has been supported by his loving wife, Carolyn, and his children, Mickey Ray and Major G. Paul; and

WHEREAS, for the above accomplishments, his impeccable moral standards, and impressive work ethic, Mr. Moffett has been selected for induction into the TSSAA Hall of Fame; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Ray Moffett, as a man of true character and commitment, exemplifies the type of selfless community servant and civic leader whom fellow Tennesseans admire for their tireless efforts to mould the State's youth, guiding them with solid principles and high standards whether in the athletic arena or in the actions of daily life; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we join the family and friends of Mr. Ray Moffett in congratulating him upon his induction in the Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association Hall of Fame, honor and commend Mr. Moffett for his substantial legacy as a teacher, coach, and official in the education community of Tennessee, and offer our thanks for the dedication which he has shown our State.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.